GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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WILDLIFE PROTECTION FORCE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any plan to raise wildlife protection force to protect endangered species like tiger in the sanctuaries and in zoos;

(b) if so, the time by which such a force is going to be operative;

(c) whether the Government have any other alternative plan to protect such endangered species,; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) Under the Project Tiger Scheme 100% Central Assistance is providedto State Governments for deployment ofarea specific strike force in Tiger Reserves affected by insurgency or extremism.

An amount of Rs. 43.00 Lakhs was released during the year 1999-2000 and an amount of Rs. 107.22 Lakhs has been sanctioned during 2000-2001 for deployment of specialised force.